

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
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For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
CONTROLLING DRYING OF LAUNDRY IN
DRUM TYPE WASHING MACHINE

Examiner: J. M. Heckert

**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW IN
ACCORDANCE WITH MPEP §713.04**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended to Applicant's representative during the telephone interview conducted on July 10, 2008. An Examiner Interview Summary was made of record as Paper No. 20080710.

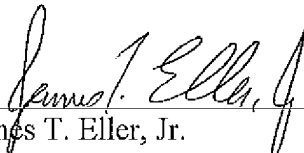
During the interview, Applicant's representative proposed additional claim amendments to the independent claims to further distinguish over the cited references. In particular, Examiner Heckert and Applicant's representative discussed amending the controlling part set forth in independent claims 1 and 7 to state that it is configured to control the motor sensing part and is configured to set a drying cycle period. In addition, Applicant argued that Kenjo discloses a dehydration step, which essentially amounts to more spinning of the laundry, and does not specifically describe a drying cycle as required by the claims.

Examiner Heckert indicated that if the claims were amended as described above, and if Applicant sets forth arguments that the dehydration step of Kenjo does not read on the claimed drying cycle, the claims would define over Kenjo and he would not be able to maintain the current rejection.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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